



ATTACHMENT B Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of configuring a user interface of an information handling system based on, utilization of ports included with the information handling system, comprising the steps of:

monitoring a plurality of ports included on the information handling system;

determining utilization by a utilization device of a port of the plurality of ports;

wherein

the utilization device is communicatively coupled to at least ~~one~~ said port of the plurality of ports; and

configuring a user-interface operating on the information handling system

based on the determined utilization by the device of the port of the

plurality of ports.

2. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1, wherein ~~determined~~ the step of determining utilization by the device of the port includes determining which port of the plurality of ports to which the device is communicatively coupled.

3. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1, wherein the configuring step includes arranging content displayed on a display device of the information handling system, the content corresponding to devices communicatively coupled to the ports in a manner corresponding to usage by the devices of the ports.

4. (Original) The method as described in claim 3, wherein arranging includes positioning the display of content in a priority based on the utilized ports.

5. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 3, wherein the user-interface is arranged so that content corresponding to a first device and content

corresponding to a second device ~~is~~are displayed based upon the ports utilized by the first device and the second device.

6. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1, wherein priority is assigned to at least a portion of the plurality of ports, the priority assigned being utilized to configure the user-interface.

7. (Original) The method as described in claim 1, wherein the plurality of ports includes a first port located on a front portion of a chassis of the information handling system and a second port located on a rear-portion of the chassis of the information handling system.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 7, wherein a higher priority is assigned the first port than the second port, and the priority is utilized to configure the user-interface.

9. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1, wherein the configuring step includes at least one of placing a display of information in an order of priority and displaying information corresponding to the location of the ports corresponding to devices connected to the information handling system.

10. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1, further comprising configuring the user-interface based on an output device communicatively coupled to the information handling system.

11. (Original) The method as described in claim 1, further comprising configuring the user interface based on applications operating on the information handling system.

12. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 1, wherein the monitored plurality of ports are arranged in at least ~~one~~ two groupings, the two groupings being utilized to configure the user interface.

13. (Currently Amended) A method of configuring a user interface of an information handling system based on utilization of ports included with the information handling system, comprising the steps of:

monitoring a plurality of ports included on the information handling system;

determining utilization by a first device communicatively coupled to a first port and a second device communicatively coupled to a second port of the plurality of ports; and

configuring a display of a user-interface operating on the information handling system based on the determined utilization of the first port and of the second port ~~of the plurality of ports~~, wherein the configuring step includes arranging the user-interface so that content corresponding to the first device and content corresponding to the second device is displayed based upon the ports utilized by the first device and the second device.

14. (Original) The method as described in claim 13, wherein arranging includes positioning the display of content in a priority based on the utilized ports.

15. (Original) The method as described in claim 13, wherein the user-interface is arranged so that content corresponding to a first device and content corresponding to a second device is displayed based upon the ports utilized by the first device and the second device.

16. (Original) The method as described in claim 13, wherein priority is assigned to at least a portion of the plurality of ports, the priority utilized to configure the user-interface.

17. (Original) The method as described in claim 13, wherein the first port is located on a front portion of a chassis of the information handling system and the second port is located on a rear-portion of the chassis of the information handling system.

18. (Original) The method as described in claim 17, wherein a higher priority is assigned the first port than the second port, the priority utilized to configure the user-interface.

19. (Original) The method as described in claim 13, wherein configuring includes at least one of placing a display of information in an order of priority and displaying information corresponding to the location of the ports corresponding to devices connected to the information handling system.

20. (Currently Amended) The method as described in claim 13, wherein the monitored plurality of ports are arranged in at least ~~one~~ two groupings, the groupings being utilized to configure the user interface.

21. (Currently Amended) An information handling system, comprising:
a plurality of ports suitable for communicatively coupling the information handling system to a device;
a memory suitable for storing a program of instructions;
a display device suitable for outputting a display of information; and
a processor suitable for performing a program of instructions stored in the memory, the processor being communicatively coupled to the plurality of ports, the memory and the display device wherein the program of instruction configures the processor to monitor the plurality of ports so that utilization of the ports by devices is employed to cause the processor to configure a display of a user interface so that content corresponding to each of the devices is arranged based upon which of the ports is utilized by the devices.

22. (Currently Amended) The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein the program provides ~~arranging includes positioning of~~ the display of content in a priority based on the utilized ports.

23. (Original) The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein the user-interface is arranged so that content corresponding to a first device and content corresponding to a second device is displayed based upon the ports utilized by the first device and the second device.

24. (Original) The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein the plurality of ports includes a first port located on a front portion of a chassis of the information handling system and a second port located on a rear-portion of the chassis of the information handling system.

25. (Currently Amended) The information handling system as described in claim 24, wherein a higher priority is assigned the first port than the second port, and the priority is utilized to configure the user-interface.

26. (Currently Amended) The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein the configuring step includes at least one of placing a display of information in an order of priority and displaying information corresponding to the location of the ports corresponding to devices connected to the information handling system.

27. (Currently Amended) The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein the plurality of ports are arranged in at least ~~one~~ two groupings, the groupings being utilized to configure the user interface.

28. (Currently Amended) An information handling system, comprising:
means for coupling the information handling system to at least one ~~or more~~ peripheral devices;
means for storing a program of instructions;
means for displaying an output on a display of the information handling system;
and
means for processing a program of instructions stored in said storing means,
wherein the program of instructions configures said processing means based on

utilization of said coupling means by the at least one ~~or more~~ peripheral devices, causing said processing means to configure the output of said displaying means so that the output includes content corresponding to a function of at least one ~~or more~~ of the at least one ~~or more~~ peripheral devices.

29. (New) The method as described in claim 1 wherein priority is assigned further based on temporal considerations wherein the later connected peripheral device is given higher priority than a peripheral device that has already been connected.

30. (New) The method as described in claim 1 wherein priority is assigned using a look up table based on heuristic data.